

We Don't Eat Our Classmates

by Ryan T Higgins
When the class pet bites the

finger of Penelope, a Tyrannosaurus rex, she finally understands why she should not eat her classmates, no matter how tasty they are. This book is hilarious!

Drawn Together

by Minh Lê

A boy and his grandfather cross a language and cultural barrier using their shared love of art, storytelling, and fantasy.





I Walk With Vanessa: A Story About a Simple Act of Kindness

by Kerascot

A wordless story inspired by real events follows the actions of a little girl who inspires her

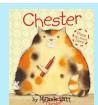
community to stand up to bullying when a classmate is treated badly and she chooses to stand by her side, an act of kindness that leads to greater acceptance, understanding and the discovery of strength in numbers.

Geraldine

by Elizabeth Lilly

Struggling to fit in as the only giraffe in a school of children, reluctant newcomer Geraldine meets fellow outcast Cassie and learns how to stand out by being herself, playing by her own rules and staying true to her unconventional new friend.





Chester

by Mélanie Watt
As the author/illustrator
attempts to create a picture
book about a mouse in a house,
her rotund feline Chester sends
the mouse packing and attempts

to rewrite the story with his handy red marker.

Scaredy Squirrel

by Mélanie Watt Frightened of the world that exists beyond the high limbs

exists beyond the high limbs of his tree-top home, Scaredy Squirrel keeps himself well

prepared for any harm that could come his way. When he is suddenly forced out from his branches, Scaredy Squirrel is pleasantly surprised with what he discovers on the ground below.



Dog vs. Cat

by Chris Gall

Agreeing to be on their best behavior when they are forced to share a room in spite of never having gotten along, Dog and Cat are annoyed by each other's habits before circumstances

bring out the best and worst in both of them.

The Black-Eyed Susan Award is a children's choice award. Students attending K-12 in the state of Maryland select their favorite book in various categories.



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Black-Eyed Susan Nominees 2018-2019

Picture Books



Do Not Lick This Book* : *It's Full of Germs

by Idan Ben-Barak
Min the microbe provides
readers with an up close look at
the hidden world all around

them.

Carmela Full of Wishes

by Matt de la Peña

Carmela, finally old enough to run errands with her brother, tries to think of the perfect wish, while his wish seems to be that she stayed home.



THE RABBIT LISTENED

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by Cori Doerrfeld

A small child is offered wellintentioned advice from his animal friends in the wake of a loss but only finds comfort with

the last animal, a rabbit who just quietly listen.

A House That Once Was

by Julie Fogliano

A boy and a girl explore an abandoned house and imagine who might have lived there and what it may have been like when it was a home.





The Brilliant Deep: Rebuilding the World's Coral Reefs

by Kate Messner Looks at the life of the coral

restoration pioneer Ken Nedimyer, from his early fascination with the ocean to his ongoing efforts to save and rebuild the world's coral reefs

Inky's Amazing Escape : How a Very Smart Octopus Found His Way Home



by Sy Montgomery

A picture-book tale inspired by the true 216 story follows the adventures of a chronically bored octopus at the New Zealand aquarium who escapes captivity by climbing out of his tank and slithering down a drainpipe to the sea.



Girl Running: Bobbi Gibb and the Boston Marathon

by Annette Bay Pimentel Bobbi Gibb was barred from the 1966 Boston Marathon, compelling her to prove that

women are just as capable as men.

Are You Scared, Darth Vader?



A series of monsters spend the night trying to learn what scares Darth Vader, before revealing their true selves.

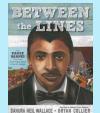


A Place for Pluto

by Stef Wade

Shocked to be stripped of his planet status, Pluto goes on a quest to find his place in the universe. Includes educational materials





Between the Lines: How Ernie Barnes Went from the Football Field to the Art Gallery

by Sandra Neil Wallace Looks at the life and career of

Ernie Barnes, a football star who became an influential painter

The Day You Begin

by Jacqueline Woodson
Other students laugh when
Rigoberto, an immigrant from
Venezuela, introduces himself
but later, he meets Angelina and
discovers that he is not the only
one who feels like an outsider





Best Frints in the Whole Universe

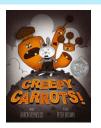
by Antoinette Portis Playing, snacking and fighting in the universal style of best friends, Yelfred and Omek, aliens

from the planet Boborp who have been best "frints" since they were "blobbies," find their bond tested by a fight that breaks out when one crashes the other's spaceship.

Past Winners

Creepy Carrots!

by Aaron Reynolds
A hilarious picture book parable
about a rabbit that fears his
favorite treats are out to get
him.





Cat Secrets

by Jef Czekaj Important secrets about how best to live a cat's life will be revealed only to those who can

prove that they are genuine cats

The Day the Crayons Quit

by Drew Daywalt When Duncan arrives at school one morning, he finds a stack of letters, one from each of his



crayons, complaining about how he uses them.



Let's Do Nothing!

by Tony Fucile After playing actively all day, two friends learn something when they try to do nothing at all.

I'm Trying To Love Spiders : (It Isn't Easy)

by Bethany Barton

A narrator with arachnophobia, describes the superpowers that

let them walk up walls, eat more than a dog's weight in bugs and more.

